

# The Republican Report Card

## REPUBLICANS RECEIVE “F’s” ON AMERICA’S PRIORITIES in 2003



### CREATING JOBS:

**F**

More than 3 million jobs lost since President Bush took office; over 2.7 million jobs in manufacturing alone

### IMPROVING EDUCATION:

**F**

Republicans funded the No Child Left Behind Act \$8 billion below the promised level

### IMPROVING HEALTH CARE:

**F**

The flawed GOP Medicare plan fails to lower drug prices and puts Medicare on the road to privatization; GOP Congress made the smallest increase in National Institutes of Health funding in 18 years

### FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY:

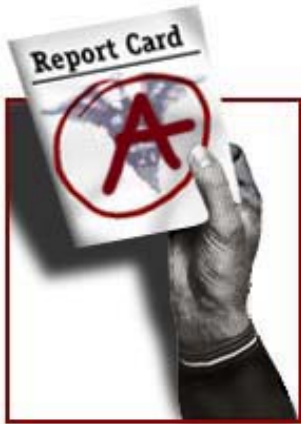
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A projected surplus of \$5.6 trillion has vanished, replaced by a deficit which jeopardizes our country's future (\$374B in 2003, a projected deficit of \$480B in 2004, and a \$4.4T deficit over the next 10 years)



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## REPUBLICANS RECEIVE “A’s” ON SPECIAL INTERESTS’ PRIORITIES in 2003



### HELPING SPECIAL INTERESTS, NOT CONSUMERS: **A**

The GOP energy bill fails to promote energy independence or protect consumers from Enron-like schemes and blackouts, while providing \$23.5 billion in tax breaks for the industry

### HELPING SPECIAL INTERESTS, NOT SENIORS: **A**

The Republican Medicare bill prohibits the negotiation of lower drug prices: a gift for the pharmaceutical industry at seniors' expense

### HELPING SPECIAL INTERESTS, NOT FAMILIES: **A**

The Republican tax cut gave billions of dollars to the wealthiest, while denying a tax credit for 6 million low-income working families

